System Requirements

Before you install your product on a stand-alone computer, make sure that your computer meets the minimum system requirements. See the following table for hardware and software requirements.

Hardware and software requirements

Hardware/Software	Requirement	Notes
Operating system	**(32-Bit)**	It is recommended that non-English language versions of AutoCAD be installed on an operating system with a user interface language that matches the code page of the AutoCAD language. A code page provides support for character sets used in different languages.
	Windows® XP Professional, Service Pack 2	
	Windows XP Home, Service Pack 2	
	Windows 2000, Service Pack 4	Whether the Windows operating system is the 32-bit or the 64-bit version is automatically detected when installing AutoCAD. The appropriate version of AutoCAD will be installed. The 32-bit version of AutoCAD cannot be installed on a 64-bit version of Windows.
	Windows Vista Enterprise	
	Windows Vista Business	
	Windows Vista Ultimate	
	Windows Vista Home Premium	
	Windows Vista Home Basic	
	Windows Vista Starter	
	(64-Bit)	
	Windows XP Professional	
	Windows Vista Enterprise	
	Windows Vista Business	
	Windows Vista Ultimate	
	Windows Vista Home Premium	

	Windows Vista Home Basic	
Web browser	Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0, Service Pack 1 (or later)	You cannot install AutoCAD if Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 with Service Pack 1 (or later) is not installed on the installation workstation. You can download Internet Explorer from the Microsoft website: http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/
Processor	Pentium III or IV (Pentium IV recommended) 800 Mhz	
RAM	512 MB (recommended)	
Graphics card	1024 x 768 VGA with True Color (minimum) Open GL®-compatible 3D video card (optional)	■ Requires a Windows-supported display adapter. ■ For graphic cards that support Hardware Acceleration, DirectX 9.0c, or better, must be installed. ■ Installing from the *ACAD.msi* file does not install DirectX 9.0c, or better. Manual installation of DirectX is required, in this circumstance, for Hardware Acceleration to be configured.
Hard disk	Installation 750 MB	
Pointing device	Mouse, trackball, or other device	
CD-ROM	Any speed (for installation only)	
Optional hardware	Printer or plotter Digitizer Modem or access to an Internet connection Network interface card	

Additional recommendations for 3D use

Hardware/Software	Requirement	Notes
Operating system	Windows® XP Professional, Service Pack 2	It is recommended that non-English language versions of AutoCAD be installed on an operating system with a user interface language that matches the code page of the AutoCAD language. A code page provides support for character sets used in different languages.
Processor	3.0 GHz or greater	
RAM	2 GB (or greater)	
Graphics card	128 MB or greater, OpenGL-capable workstation-class	■ For graphic cards that support Hardware Acceleration, DirectX 9.0c, or better, must be installed. ■ Installing from the *ACAD.msi* file does not install DirectX 9.0c, or better. Manual installation of DirectX is required, in this circumstance, for Hardware Acceleration to be configured. For more information about tested and certified graphics cards, visit http://www.autodesk.com/autocad-graphicscard/.
Hard disk	2 GB (in addition to the 750 MB required for installation)	